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**Title** **Distributed Evaluation of Directory Queries Using a Topology Cache**

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to an Office Action dated July 8, 2004 (application Paper No. 7),  
please amend the above-identified application as follows: